DRIVING EQUITY: THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Driving Equity: The U.S. Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program". Testimony was heard from Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director, Office of Economic and Small Business Development, Broward County, Florida; Sandra Norman, Administrator, Civil Rights Division, Virginia Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

TOXIC EXPOSURES: EXAMINING AIRBORNE HAZARDS IN THE SOUTHWEST ASIA THEATER OF MILITARY OPERATIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled "Toxic Exposures: Examining Airborne Hazards in the Southwest Asia Theater of Military Operations". Testimony was heard from Laurine Carson, Deputy Executive Director, Policy and Procedures, Compensation Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the quarterly CARES Act report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Sub-committee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine an evaluation of FirstNet's progress, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine United States policy in a changing Middle East, 9 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine threats to the homeland, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 4632, to amend title 17, United States Code, to establish an alternative dispute resolution program for copyright small claims, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to modify the scope of protection from civil liability for "good Samaritan" blocking and screening of offensive material, and the nominations of Benjamin Joel Beaton, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, Kristi Haskins Johnson, and

Taylor B. McNeel, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, and Thompson Michael Dietz, of New Jersey, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SR–325.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 9:30 a.m., SVC–217.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine women and retirement, focusing on unique challenges and opportunities to pave a brighter future, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry, hearing entitled "The 2020 Wildfire Year: Response and Recovery Efforts", 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Education and Labor, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8294, the "National Apprenticeship Act of 2020", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled "Mainstreaming Extremism: Social Media's Role in Radicalizing America", 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the United States Agency for Global Media and U.S. International Broadcasting Efforts", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice", 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

Full Committee, hearing entitled "Diversity in America: The Representation of People of Color in the Media", 2:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing entitled "Federal and State Efforts to Restore the Salton Sea", 12 p.m., Webex.

Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, hearing on H.R. 7565, to authorize the Seminole Tribe of Florida to lease or transfer certain land, and for other purposes; and H.R. 8255, to clarify the status of gaming conducted by the Catawba Indian Nation, and for other purposes, 2 p.m., Webex

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on Environment Hybrid, hearing entitled "Climate Change, Part IV: Moving Towards a Sustainable Future", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Innovation and Workforce Development, hearing entitled "Paycheck Protection Program: An Examination of Loan Forgiveness, SBA Legacy Systems, and Inaccurate Data", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled "The Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan and Water Management in Florida", 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing entitled "Save Our Social Security Now", 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, Full Committee, business meeting on recommendations to improve the congressional schedule and calendar, boost con-

gressional capacity, reclaim Article One responsibilities, reform the budget and appropriations process, identify administrative inefficiencies, and improve technology and continuity in Congress; and to consider the Committee's Final Report, 9 a.m., 210 Cannon.